

**PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Sakata et al.

Group Art Unit: 1643

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Examiner: Harris, Alana M.

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For: METHOD FOR DIAGNOSING CANCER AND METHOD FOR DETERMINING  
CANCER SUSCEPTIBILITY

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**AMENDMENT D**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is responsive to the Official Action dated October 1, 2008, for which the time for response extends up to and including January 2, 2009, since January 1, 2009 is a Federal Holiday. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.